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In re Application of:)	
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Application No.: 09/819,906)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 5368
Filed: March 29, 2001)	
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For: ELECTRON OPTICAL SYSTEM ARRAY,)	
METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE	:	January 30, 2004
SAME, CHARGED-PARTICLE BEAM)	
EXPOSURE APPARATUS, AND DEVICE	:	
MANUFACTURING METHOD)	

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SIXTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Further to the Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 23, 2001, the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on January 29, 2003, the Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on June 4, 2003, the Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 14, 2003, the Fourth Information Disclosure Statement filed on November 6, 2003, and the Fifth Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 12, 2003, and in compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

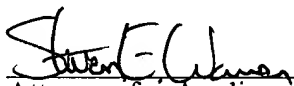
The Examiner's attention is also directed to copending U.S. patent application number 10/454,576, filed June 5, 2003. A copy of this application is also enclosed.

Applicants request that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 form be initialed and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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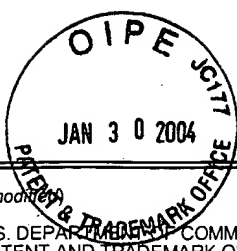
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